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Associated Press

WASHINGTON About 80 flights between the U.S. and Europe were canceled Thursday as dozens of European airports closed due to clouds of ash from a volcano in Iceland.

Most of the canceled U.S. flights were to and from the United Kingdom, said David Castelveter, a spokesman for the Air Transportation Association, which represents most major U.S. carriers. Some airlines also were canceling flights scheduled for Friday, he said.

Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Laura Brown said the agency was working with airlines to reroute flights from the U.S. to Europe around the cloud where possible. Some flights also were returned to the U.S. last night.

Airports in Britain, Ireland and Nordic countries have been closed because ash from the volcano that erupted Wednesday makes flying too dangerous. France said it was closing 23 airports, including Paris airports.

But flights to other destinations also are affected. Brown said the route for most flights from the East Coast to Europe crosses the North Atlantic near the ash cloud. Brown said the FAA and airlines are working to reroute some flights.

Health protection officials in Britain said



some of the ash will fall to ground level overnight-starting in Scotland before moving

About 700 people from rural areas near the volcano were evacuated Thursday because of flash flooding, as water carrying icebergs the size of small houses rushed down the mountain. The Civil Protection Department said there could be damage to roads and other infrastructure.



ABOVE: A plume of smoke and steam hangs over a volcano in Iceland, BELOW: An information board shows all flights canceled at Landvetter Airport outside Gothenburg. Sweden. APPHOTOS

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Give me privacy, please

Despite mounds of anecdotes about college students sharing booze-chugging party photos, posting raunchy messages and bad-mouthing potential employers online, teens and 20-somethings generally care as much about privacy as older Americans, a new study finds. The report, from researchers at the University of California-Berkeley and the University of Pennsylvania, is among the first quantitative studies looking at young people's attitudes toward privacy as government officials and corporate executives alike increasingly grapple with such issues. Here's a look at the numbers. AP

» Eighty-eight percent of people of all ages said they have refused to give out information to a business because they thought it was too personal or unnecessary. Among young adults, 82 percent have refused, compared with 85 percent of those over 65.

» Most people-86 percent-believe anyone who posts a photo or video of them on the Internet should get their permission first, even if that photo was taken in public. Among adults 18 to 24, 84 percent agreed-not far from the 90 percent among those 45 to 54.

» Forty percent of adults ages 18 to 24 believe executives should face jail time if their company uses someone's personal information illegally-the same as the response among those 35 to 44 years old.



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Don't make mine a Double Down

Bear? Chewy, but robust with proper flavoring.

Worm? Not bad, as part of a tequila lollipop.

Squirrel in gravy? What do you want from me? I was down South at the time, and someone (cough, Grandmom, cough) told me it was

I don't regret eating any of the above, even the squirrel, and I'd go even further in my continuing quest to be an adventurous eater. My theory: Try something at least once, and earn the right to cast it off forever. Of course, there are a few exceptions, including:

Double Down

Kudos to KFC for generating pop conversation about the Double Down, the company's new greasy Valentine to the obesity epidemic in America. This, um, sandwich consists of two fried or grilled chicken breasts in a menage with bacon, special sauce, Monterey Jack and pepper jack cheese.

The words of my Tribune colleague and American (Eating) Idol, Phil Vettel, only served to underscore my Double Down disgust. When asked about his single bite of the sandwich in the name of journalism, Vettel likened the experience to accidentally swallowing sea water.

McRib sandwich

Every summer, my family and I barbecue in my mother's spacious backyard, grilling everything from brats to baby-back ribs. But never have we 'cued up anything that looked remotely like the sauce-spackled, slimy mess that is the McRib. I am thankful McDonald's does not include it in its year-round menu items. God help us all, and whatever unfortunate beast it's rendered from, if they ever do.

Krispy Kreme's 'drinkable' doughnut

Do y'all remember back in the early 'oos when everyone was going all Homer Simpson over Krispy Kreme doughnuts? I thought the overly sweet, almost sickening doughnut was the worst thing that ever happened to company meetings. That was until the Krispy Kremers took it to the next level by launching a glazed frozen drink line. They look like mud puddles in a cup. My teeth itched just thinking about drinking one.

I will try almost anything on a sushi menu. In fact, I often put my palate at the mercy of the chef. But my daring dries up when it comes to possible death by suffocation within hours of eating a certain sushi. That's why I won't be tasting fugu, or blowfish, a potentially deadly dish you can get at Lincoln Park's Tsuki, or sister restaurant Ai, between November and March. Given a Sophie's choice, I'd try KFC's latest offering. At least my death by the high-calorie Double Down would be slower.



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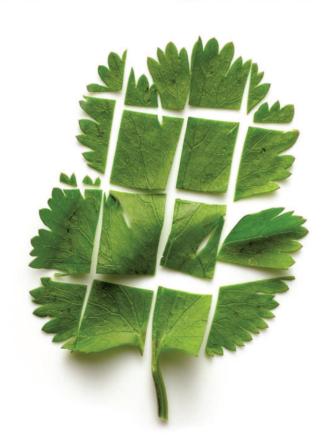
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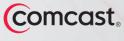
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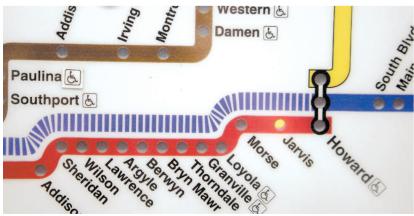


CTA President Richard Rodriguez (left) observes as Robert Kielba, assistant chief rail equipment engineer, shows off a safety feature on doors of the transit agency's new rail cars. Chris WALKER/TRIBUNE PHOTOS



An interior view of the new passenger rail cars.

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The new cars will have illuminated maps showing a glowing light for the next stop.

New rail cars have facing seats, security cameras

Chicago Tribune

New CTA rail cars featuring mostly center-facing seats to pack in more rush-hour commuters will enter service next week, transit officials said Thursday. Here's what you need to know.

- The new cars will replace trains that have knocked around Chicago since 1969 and will be capable of going 70 mph, though they will now be limited to the current 55 mph limit.
- The first 10 rapid-transit cars that are part of an order for 406 new trains, set for delivery through about 2013, have undergone testing on the CTA system since last year.
- Passengers also will see seven security cameras on board each train—a first on CTA trains—and electronic displays showing upcoming stations and other travel information.
- The maximum capacity of the new cars will be 123 passengers, both seated and standing, according to the manufacturer, Bombardier Transportation.
- The prototypes have 34 regular seats—all facing the aisle—and four forward-facing seats that can be folded down for access by two wheelchairs.
- CTA President Richard Rodriguez acknowledged the new design will result in many passengers having to stand during their trips.
- The new trains, with 38 seats, offer up to eight fewer seats than some of the old CTA trains that will be sold for scrap as the new equipment arrives.
- The trains will carry their first passengers starting next week on the Red Line, officials said.
- Going Public columnist Tracy Swartz got a peek at the new rail cars Thursday. See her insider photos at **redeyechicago.com/goingpublic**.

Illinois will have \$5 billion in road construction under way in the next fiscal year, officials said Thursday in presenting the state's long-term highway improvement plan. AP

Man charged in Marquette Park slayings

Chicago Tribune

A Wisconsin man was charged Thursday night with first-degree murder in the slayings of his wife, son and two nieces.

James A. Larry, of Madison, Wis., was charged with killing his wife, Twanda Thompson, 19; his 7-month-old son, Jihad; his 3-year-old niece, Keleasha Larry; and his 16-year-old niece, Keyshai Fields.

Two others were wounded in the Wednesday morning shooting on the 7200 block of South Mozart Street in Marquette Park: his mother, Leona Larry, and his 13-year-old nephew, Demond Larry.

They both remained in critical condition at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn as of Thursday afternoon.

An autopsy determined that all four victims were killed with shots to the head, and Thompson and Fields both were pregnant.

James Larry was charged with four counts of first-degree murder, two felony counts of intentional homicide of an unborn child, and four counts of attempted murder, said Andy Conklin, a spokesman for the Cook County state's attorney's office.

Larry has an arrest record dating to 1995 for battery, drug possession, resisting arrest and escape, according to court records.

In 2002, he was sentenced to almost six years in federal prison after pleading guilty to possessing a firearm as a felon. Paroled in April 2007, he stayed out of trouble for about a year before he was sentenced to spend three months in a halfway house after admitting to smoking marijuana, a violation of his parole.

He was sentenced in January 2010 for a misdemeanor battery conviction, according to records.

His most recent address is a halfway house for parolees in Janesville, Wis., though most of his arrests were in the Madison area.

Larry is expected to appear in bond court Friday, Conklin said.

Twanda Thompson's sister, Shirina Thompson, learned that her sister died of gunshot wounds to the neck and temple. Her family says they are struggling to find money to pay for the funerals of Twanda and Jihad.

Boater discovers body in Lake Michigan

A man in his 40s was pronounced dead after his body was found by a boater Thursday morning in Lake Michigan, officials said. The unidentified man appearing to be a white male was found floating in the lake at 801 S. Lake Shore Drive., said a spokesman with the Cook County medical examiner's office. The man was pronounced dead at 12:30 p.m. at the Stein Institute at the Cook County medical examiner's office, officials said.

Prosecutor: Officer beat motorist

A Streamwood police officer has been charged with aggravated battery and official misconduct after a camera mounted on his squad car dashboard caught him repeatedly beating a motorist with his baton, prosecutors said.

James Mandarino, 41, struck the motorist 15 times as the man knelt on the ground March 28, Assistant Cook County State's Atty. Alexander Vroustouris said. Mandarino's lawyer, Ed Wanderling, disputed prosecutors' accounts Thursday.

Blagojevich brother wants separate trial

Rod Blagoievich's brother told a federal judge Thursday that he doesn't want to be tried on corruption charges alongside the ousted Illinois governor because witness testimony against his brother could bias jurors against him. Businessman Robert Blagojevich filed court papers asking a federal judge for a separate trial. Most of the evidence gathered by federal prosecutors focuses on his brother and he worried about a "spill over" effect, according to a motion filed in U.S. District Court in Chicago.

Teens charged with damaging Blago's home

Two 16-year-old boys have been charged with felony criminal damage to property for allegedly throwing a bottle through a window of ex-Gov. Rod Blagojevich's Ravenswood Manor home.

The alleged incident happened Wednesday around 4:30 p.m. in the 2900 block of West Sunnyside Avenue. A police official said Blagojevich's wife, Patti, who was home at the time, saw the teens and called police. The two minors were apprehended a short time later.

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More than 1,000 people attended a tea party rally Thursday at Daley Plaza. вкіам саssella/тківиме рното

Tea party buzzes Chicago

THE NATIONAL PICTURE

Allied activists demonstrated from Maine to Hawaii in hundreds of lively protests, all joined in disdain for government spending and—on the April 15 federal tax filing deadline—what they see as the Washington tax grab. AP

At a tea party rally at Daley Plaza on Thursday, politicians and activists used Tax Day to try and push the largely disparate movement to a new level, encouraging a crowd of more than 1,000 to organize around the November elections and future local races.

"In the early days of the American Revolution, George Washington was losing his battles," said former gubernatorial candidate Adam Andrzejewski. "He had a ragtag army, he had a ragtag bunch of warriors. They started to win when they had a standing army."

While leaders of the new movement have eschewed organization, some connected with the tea party in Illinois said it is time to organize.

Joe Calomino, Illinois state director for a group called Americans for Prosperity, said tea party activists already have been active in Lake County trying to take control of GOP precinct captain positions. He said the regular Republican Party had been failing to do that.

Some protesters took off work or used their lunch break to attend.

Wrigley rooftop owner facing foreclosure

The owner of a rooftop overlooking Wrigley Field faces a foreclosure lawsuit from a suburban bank after defaulting on \$3.15 million in mortgages on the property.

Lakeview Baseball Club, 3633 N. Sheffield Ave., remains open while it deals with the foreclosure action. The building is known for featuring a sign in Latin that says "Eamus Catuli," which translated means "Let's go, little bears." But the owners of the club were stripped of its control when a Cook County Circuit judge appointed a receiver earlier this month to take over operations.

First Personal Bank of Orland Park filed the suit in February seeking more than \$2.7 million in principal and interest payments. The bank loaned the owners of Lakeview Baseball Club \$2.8 million in 2006, and made a second loan of \$350,000 a year later.

In January, the bank sent a letter of default to the borrowers after they failed to make their December and January payments.

More hurdles ahead for South Side Wal-Mart

The city's Plan Commission on Thursday recommended approval for a new Wal-Mart on Chicago's far South Side, but the plan still faces major hurdles at the City Council.

There's only one Wal-Mart within city limits following a years-long stalemate between pro-union aldermen, Mayor Daley and the giant retailer. Unions oppose allowing more Wal-Marts in Chicago without the city enacting a so-called living wage ordinance for larger retailers. In the last council election in 2007, the unions backed several prolabor aldermanic candidates.

The issue got renewed life Thursday as planning commissioners recommended approval for a second Wal-Mart to anchor a 270-acre parcel in Pullman Park for a development that would include hundreds of homes and a shopping district. The development next must go before the City Council's Zoning Committee for a zoning change, which also must be approved by the full council.

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This photo from a rooftop webcam released by the University of Wisconsin shows a fireball as it passes over Madison on Wednesday night.

Meteor lights up skies in Midwest

MILWAUKEE A large meteor streaked across the Midwestern sky momentarily turning night into day, rattling houses and causing trees and the ground to shake, authorities said Thurs-

Witnesses say the meteor lit up the sky Wednesday about 10:10 p.m. National Weather Service offices across the Midwest said it was visible from southwestern Wisconsin and northern Iowa to central Missouri.

Radar information suggests the meteor landed in the southwest corner of Wisconsin, in either Grant or Lafavette counties, said Ashley Sears, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service's Milwaukee office.

Officials in both counties said no one reported seeing a meteorite or crater. Lafayette County Sheriff Scott Pedley said his office received multiple reports of a very bright light in the sky followed by houses and the ground shaking.

"There were reports of four to five minutes of explosions or rumbling," he said. He couldn't say what the sound was but speculated it may have been a sonic boom if the meteor broke the sound barrier.

Obama has eye on Mars



President Obama spoke Thursday in Cape Canaveral, Fla., about his plan to land astronauts on Mars by the 2030s. GETTY IMAGES

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. President Obama predicted Thursday his new space exploration plan would lead Americans beyond the moon and to Mars within his lifetime. "I expect to be around to see it," he declared.

Obama's prediction was an answer to critics, including several former astronauts, that his changes would deal a staggering blow to the nation's manned space program.

Speaking at the Kennedy Space Center, where America's moon missions originated decades ago, Obama said he was "100 percent committed to the mission of NASA and its future." He outlined plans for federal spending to bring more private companies into space exploration following the soon-to-end space shuttle program.

"We want to leap into the future," not continue on the same path as before, Obama said as he sought to reassure NASA workers that America's space adventures would soar on despite the termination of shuttle flights.

Obama acknowledged criticism for his drastic changes to the space agency's direction. But, he said, "The bottom line is: Nobody is more committed to manned space flight, the human exploration of space, than I am. But we've got to do it in a smart way; we can't keep doing the same old things as before."

Obama said that by 2025, the nation would have a new spacecraft "designed for long journeys to allow us to begin the first-ever crewed missions beyond the moon into deep

"We'll start by sending astronauts to an asteroid for the first time in history. By the mid-2030s, I believe we can send humans to orbit Mars and return them safely to Earth. And a landing on Mars will follow," he said.

The Obama space plan relies on private companies to fly to the space station, giving them almost \$6 billion to build their own rockets and ships. It also extends the space station's life by five years and puts billions into research to eventually develop new government rocket ships for missions to a nearby asteroid, to the moon, to Martian moons or other points in space.

Those stops would be steppingstones on an eventual mission to Mars itself.

Pope addresses abuse scandal

Pope Benedict XVI broke his recent silence on the clerical abuse scandal Thursday in Vatican City, complaining that the church was under attack but saying that "we Christians" must repent for sins and recognize mistakes.

Obama widens partner rights

President Obama on Thursday ordered his health secretary to issue new rules aimed at granting hospital visitation rights to same-sex partners, and making it easier for gays and lesbians to make medical decisions on behalf of their partners, The New York Times reports.

Coal mines halt for day

Most West Virginia coal operators will honor Gov. Joe Manchin's request to cease production for a day and use the time to focus on safety training and maintenance. Friday's production halt will honor 29 miners killed in the April 5 explosion at Massey Energy's Upper Big Branch Mine.

South Korea raises ship

South Korea lifted part of a warship from the sea Thursday, nearly three weeks after it mysteriously exploded and sank with dozens of sailors trapped inside, Salvage workers found the bodies of 36 crew members in the retrieved vessel



That was 1.39 degrees above the average for the month over the 20th century.

Last month was the warmest March on record worldwide, based on records dating to 1880, U.S. scientists reported Thursday. The average temperature for the month was 56.3 degrees Fahrenheit, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration reported.

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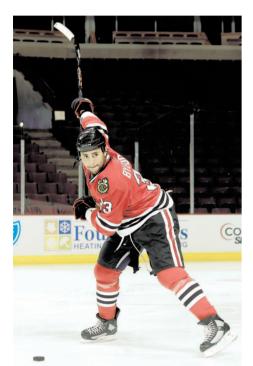
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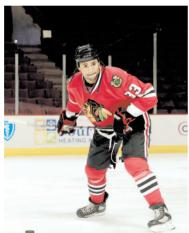
Anatomy of a slapshot

The slapshot might look easy, but without the feet, hands and eyes in the right place and using proper form, there's more potential to hurt yourself with a slapshot than an opposing goalie. Luckily, Blackhawks player Dustin Byfuglien (below) gave RedEye an important lesson in Slapshot 101. RYANSMITH



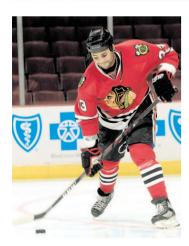
The windup

A quality slapshot begins with the massive windup. Byfuglien raises his stick behind his body all the way over his head and transfers his weight to the back leg. The feet need to be about shoulder-width apart with knees bent, and the puck should be close to the feet, slightly forward from center



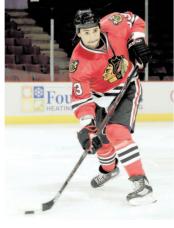
The swing

Next, the stick is brought forward and toward the puck while the player's weight is transferred from the back leg to the front leg. "Transferring your weight is important because it helps generate your power," Byfuglien



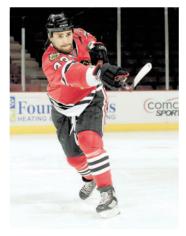
The ice slap

Unlike golf, where a swing is designed to smack the ball directly, Byfuglien "slaps" the ice a few inches before it reaches the puck and uses his weight to flex the stick. Bending the stick gives it kinetic energy that will be transferred to the puck, causing it to fly much faster than hitting it alone could.



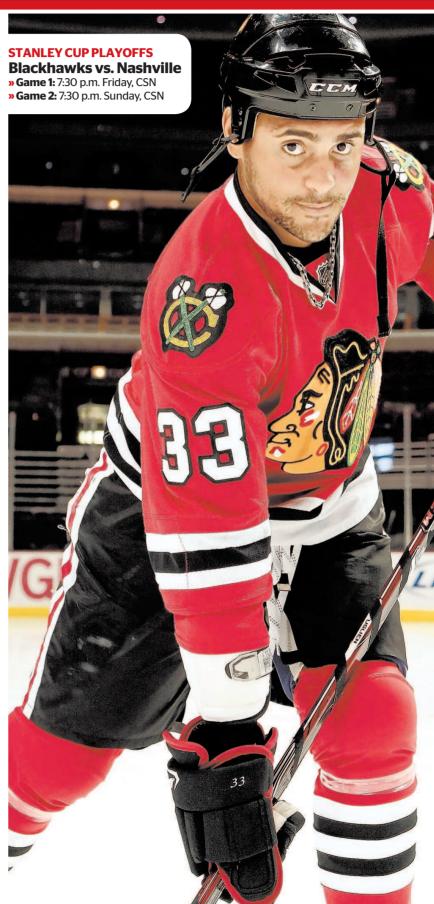
The strike

The stick should meet the puck near the center of the stick's blade upon contact. It's then when Byfuglien rolls his wrists. Grip is important, he said. "Your top hand is usually pretty tight, and your bottom hand is firm too, but you usually let your stick roll around a little bit in your hand when you're coming in to make contact," he said.



The follow-through

The slapshot's not over quite yet. After the hit, Byfuglien's stick ends up pointing in the direction of his target and a bit high on the follow-through to elevate the puck off the ice. "The ideal shot is a couple feet off the ice because you can get rebounds and tips in front, even if the goalie stops it," he said.





BIGSHOTS

As Blackhawks shift focus to their Stanley Cup quest, winger Dustin Byfuglien gets slap happy with RedEye

By Ryan Smith

FOR REDEY

Dustin Byfuglien's slapshot is not a thing of beauty. When the Blackhawks winger smacks hockey's most feared shot, it is designed to break teeth, not hearts. Sometimes literally.

"Yeah, I've definitely knocked out a few teeth and hurt people with slapshots in the past," Byfuglien said. "Luckily, nothing too bad."

Hockey's other shots—the wristshot or snapshot - are taken in the blink of an eye and designed to catch the opposing goalie off-guard.

The slapshot is different. The windup is so deliberate that it doesn't surprise anyone in the rink ("With how fast the game is in the NHL, it's not too often

you have time to sit and take a bunch of slapshots," Byfuglien said.), and the violent motion of the shot means it usually is not as accurate as others.

Yet, like a fastball hurdled down the middle of the plate in baseball, a boxer's devastating right cross or a 100 mph serve in tennis, the slapshot can be dangerously effective.

Just ask Byfuglien, who has netted 17 goals this season for the Hawks—two from a thunderous slapshot last clocked at 98.9 mph at the 2009 All-Star Game.

"It's a great shot to use in the right situation," he said.

Perhaps that situation will present itself in the playoffs. Byfuglien can only hope.

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POWERPOINT

Slap that puck? Easier said

By Ryan Smith

Imagine trying to smack a golf ball 250 yards at a driving range. Except you're standing on ice, not grass. And instead of hitting the ball directly, you had to purposely hit the ground first and then make solid contact.

That's sort of what it was like hitting a slapshot for the first time.

I experienced the difficulty of the shot firsthand on the Blackhawks' home ice during a brief lesson from hard-hitting Hawks winger Dustin Byfuglien.

I can do this, I convinced myself beforehand. I'm no Jim Thorpe, but I'm at least a decent all-around athlete. I can knock down a 3-pointer with regularity and toss a football at least as well as Rex Grossman.

But even the moving on ice part was tough. Watching Byfuglien and the rest of the Blackhawks skate so gracefully every other night made me take it for granted. After a few seconds on the United Center rink, I was stumbling around like a drunk deer.

On my first slapshot attempt, I whiffed completely—missed everything.

Thankfully, Byfuglien was gracious about it and



pointed out I was using a hockey stick built for his 6-foot-4-inch frame, not my comparatively tiny 5-10 body.

I made contact on my second and third tries, and the puck sailed straight and true. The problem? I hit it about I mph. Any NHL goalie could have stopped my shot simply by breathing hard on it.

On my final attempt, I decided to slather an extra dose of mustard on my shot and half-

mimic Byfuglien's supersonic slapshot. Instead, I fell straight on my ass midshot.

Byfuglien and the rest of the onlookers joined me in laughing at my mishap, but after I was escorted back to the safety of solid ground, Byfuglien gave me encouraging words.

"I didn't get the slapshot down until I was 13 or 14," he said. "You see kids out there all the time fall down trying slapshots. But that's how you practice, the more you do it, the better you get it."

I guess I better have a whole pack of Charmin stuffed into my pants for next time. Or better yet, I'll just stick to watching the pros do it.

Do it for the Hawks

The Blackhawks' playoff push toward their first Stanley Cup since 1961 begins Friday. And unlike any playoff appearance in recent memory, the Blackhawks enter the postseason as the "it" team in Chicago's sports psyche. So how can you, the average Chicago sports fan,



show your support for the Blackhawks over the next (hopefully) few weeks?

Playoff beards. Whole lotta hair up on your face.

You'll see more about this in the coming days here in the RedEye—see Page 15 or **bit.ly/heybeardman**. But I think as Chicagoans, we're destined to take this hockey tradition and step it up a notch. They bring a knife, you bring a gun. They stop shaving their face, you stop washing your Hawks jersey. That's the Chicago way.

But potentially stained Hawks apparel aside, you need to let your commitment to the team bleed into other areas of your life. Friday morning, you go outside and mow your lawn. Then you let that grass grow until Patrick Kane lifts the Cup. Got a pile of laundry? Keep growing that mountain on your bedroom floor. Dishes in the sink? Stack 'em higher. Fingernails and toenails getting too long? Too bad! Do it for Coach Q.

Ladies, if you're still reading: Stop shaving your legs. Guys will dig it if you tell them the reason. I am 37 percent sure of

I have to draw the line at brushing your teeth; go a month or so without that and I can't imagine you'd have any friends left to celebrate with if the Hawks go all the way.

As for the Nashville Predators in the first round, I already exhausted my "Predator" reference in Tuesday's Five on Five. They're simply an average NHL team. Their goal differential this year: -I. (Ours: +62.) The Hawks won the season series 4-2, so I'll say Blackhawks in six games seems right.

I'm hoping for these playoff series to go quickly, though. My face gets really, really prickly after about two weeks without a trim.

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Blackhawks winger Dustin Byfuglien demonstrates how he places his hands for a slapshot.

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'READY TO ROCK'

Even before training camp began in September the Blackhawks were being touted as Stanley Cup contenders.

A franchise-record 52 victories and 112 points only have added fuel to the fire as the Hawks are a trendy pick, along with the Capitals, to hoist the Cup sometime in June. There's only one thing left to do: Make it happen.

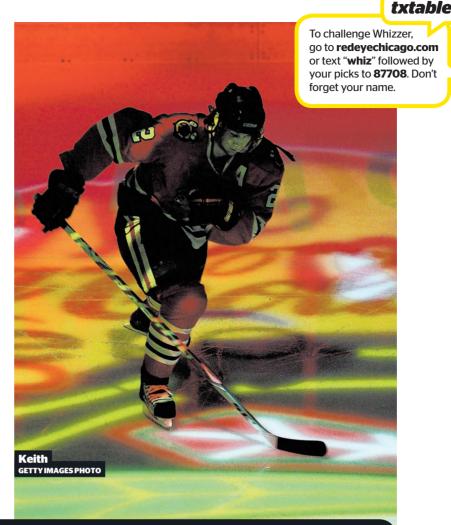
The Hawks will embark on what they hope is a postseason run for the ages Friday night when they face the Predators in Game 1 of the 2010 Stanley Cup playoffs at the United Center.

"It's time to put the work boots on and get to work," defenseman Duncan Keith said. "It's going to be fun, it's going to be a battle and it's going to be tough. We all realize that the reward at the end would be worth it to sacrifice and do what we can to get by these guys."

It's a more mature and experienced Hawks team that is hoping to use last season's surprise run to the Western Conference finals as a launching pad to greater heights. It's also a group that is a bit more determined to concentrate on the task at hand.

"Last year we didn't care what anybody said about us," captain Jonathan Toews said. "Every critic seemed to pick Calgary and Vancouver over us. Whatever is said about us is just going to end up water off a duck's back. We're confident as a team. That's all that really matters."

Added defenseman Brent Seabrook: "We're all rested and ready to rock."





Think you can beat my Hawks predictions? Try it. Instructions above. Here now, my picks.

Game 1: **Blackhawks** vs. Nashville



7:30 p.m. Friday, CSN Hawks 6, Predators 2. Antti Niemi

holds up, fans breathe sigh of relief.

Game 2: **Blackhawks** vs. Nashville



7:30 p.m. Sunday, CSN Hawks 3, Predators 1. Tight game,

but Marian Hossa seals it.

Game 3: Blackhawks at Nashville



8 p.m. Tuesday, CSN Hawks 5, Predators

3. Do I see a Patrick Kane hat trick?

Hey, beardman DAY3

Day 3 of the playoff beardoff, and the stubble's showing. Blackhawks players Colin Fraser and Andrew Ladd are taking on RedEye's Jimmy Greenfield and Alex Quigley.



COLIN FRASER

ANDREW LADD





ALEX QUIGLEY



 Colin Fraser 2. Andrew Ladd

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Get her kicks

Ella Masar and the Red Stars have their home opener Saturday at Toyota Park, but first Five on Five. redeyechicago.com/5on5.

TOPIC

What is your level of excitement for the Blackhawks playoff series?

How do you prepare for possibly two months of Blackhawks playoffs?

Other than a beard, how do you show your Blackhawks allegiance?

Why are the White Sox already playing the Indians again this season?

The Red Stars have their home opener Saturday. Give them some love.



TRACY SWARTZ

More excited for the Bulls but still not as hot and bothered as Paxson.

Send Jimmy's hookers some flowers. It's going to be rough for them.

Fake teeth. But I would avoid wood.

White Sox are needed to complete the Full Cleveland look.

Not a soccer fan. But in this case, I'm a sock her fan. Red Stars sock herl



PHIL THOMPSON

Way high. I'm like Chris Sosa at a Justin Bieber concert.

Two months is nothing in Chicago time. Just ask anybody who drives the Eisenhower these days.

I make Candy Kanes. ... No, Phil. that doesn't sound creepy at all.

Because the Bulls are playing the Cavs. (It's like the sports world's version of double dating.)

That's your cue, Fire. (I'm like the sports world's version of a wingman.)



CHRIS SOSA

I'm high-fiving everyone with a beard.

My Christmas shopping is done already.

If they win the whole thing, I'm naming my firstborn Stanley-maybe.

Hey, even pro teams have to reduce travel costs.

They've got legs and know how to use them.



SOXMAN

I'm an Eager Ladd with Sharp focus energized from head to Toews.

some girl named Chelsea Dagger for 60 days.

Put 'em to bed mighty red!

Put 'em behind bars, go

Chicago Red Stars!

"Duncan" Keith.

lose.

I've leased the Sox Cave to

Easy: Hat-wearing and vocals blaring.

ELLA MASAR

Let's just say that my favor-

ite southern drink, sweet

iced tea. has been banned for the Nashville series.

I've just about finalized a How any woman would: promotion with a certain Legs shaving, no way! doughnut company for

To ensure equality and Baseball scheduling is always questionable; lookbalance in Chicago: Blackhawks win. Indians ing for some way to spice things up.

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- » Toronto 7, Sox 3

FRIDAY'S GAMES

- » Cubs vs. Houston, 1:20 p.m. CSN
- White Sox at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m. WCIU



HERO OF THE DAY

Marlon Byrd

He had two RBIs on two hits, including a towering two-run homer in the fourth that tied the game at 4.

DUD OF THE DAY

Jeff Samardziia

He gave up two runs in two innings, including the go-ahead and insurance runs in the seventh and eighth. He took the loss.

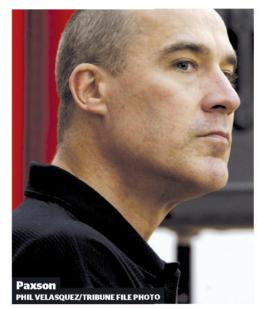
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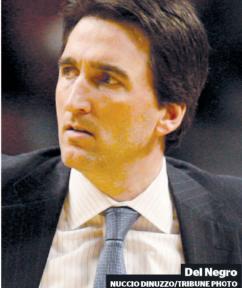
14²/₃ Scoreless innings streak that Sox starter Mark Buehrle takes into Friday's game against Cleveland.

OZZIE'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I don't know the reason they're not coming to the park. Maybe because they don't have a couple hockey players in the lineup. Put them there, and they might show up."

Guillen on Toronto fans. Just
10,160 attended Wednesday's game.





I love a little shove



Take this coach and shove it.

First off, my initial reactions to the John Paxson-Vinny Del Negro feud:

- » Thank God. Coachshoving should be encouraged in this town. It would have been applauded in the era of Dave Wannstedt, Dick Jauron, Tim Floyd and whoever coached the Blackhawks all those years I never watched them (that's a lot of shoving).
- » Secondly, big deal. A little pushing and shoving is a good thing. Am I the only one who remembers how the N.Y. Yankees always got into fights and always won the World Series? Bring back testosterone, bring back pushing and bring back winning!
- » Thirdly, adios, Vinny. Interview all the witnesses you want, put on some white rubber gloves and scour the crime scene, Will Grissom-style, but this is it. You're not a win-

ner, and the best you can offer is a couple of first-round knockouts.

Speaking of playoff flops, someone please end this Bulls season already. Hey, nice effort making the playoffs, but you're facing Cleveland. Actually, knowing how the NBA babies its stars, I'm surprised LeBron James is allowed to play in this series. I say rest him until the second round, but that's me.

As for Paxson, he may need to be shoved too. You're on the clock, Johnny Boy. It's been a while since you've produced, so my advice is to hit a home run this summer or hit the bricks. Check that, two home runs. You need to find a great free agent and a great coach. Some advice: Find a guy who's actually coached before. The Del Negro experiment was embarrassing. Get it right, or you'll be shoved. Out. The. Door.

So, the playoffs are here, and the Bulls should be one and done. The Blackhawks? Repeat after me: I have faith in Antti Niemi, I have faith in Antti Niemi.

The Blackhawks might be OK, but don't count on it. Besides, you know who is back. That's right, the Detroit Red Wings.

It ... is ... alive!

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BULLS PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

- » Saturday: Bulls at Cleveland, 2 p.m. ABC
- » Monday: Bulls at Cleveland, 7 p.m. CSN
- » Thursday: Bulls vs. Cleveland, 6 p.m. CSN
- » April 25: Bulls vs. Cleveland, 2:30 p.m. ABC
- » April 27: Bulls at Cleveland, TBD CSN*
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STREET FIGHT

Vote for your favorite thoroughfare-named spots in our bar bracket

By Lisa Arnett

You're sitting at the bar with friends. You've had a few rounds. Inevitably, someone says it: "We should open a bar, and we should name it ..."

Naming it could be as simple as looking at the street sign outside and tacking on an "s" or a "Bar & Grill." Or at least that's what we thought after hearing about Wolcott's, a Lincoln Square bar aiming to open on the corner of Montrose and Wolcott avenues later this spring. It'll join the ranks of dozens of spots around town taking its name predictably from the street it resides on.

Why so many? "One [reason] is that it's the easy route to go," says Angelo Eliades of Creative Entertainment Concepts, a local consulting firm that has worked with bars and clubs such as the Joynt and Excalibur. "And the second one is the name recognition. If they hear the name 'Diversey Tap,' it's easier for customers to remember where it's at."

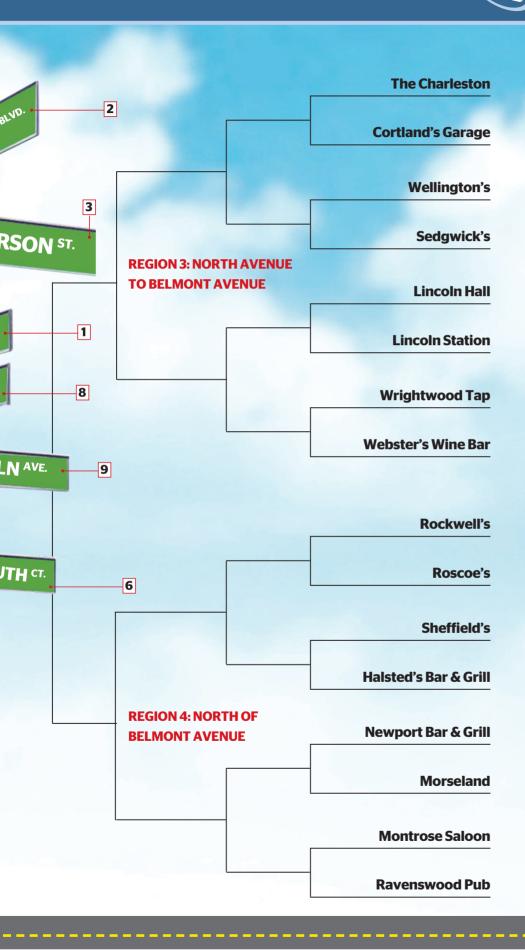
Street names also can project a status as a neighborhood establishment rather than a big chain—think of when Starbucks named its Seattle coffeehouse/bar spinoff 15th Avenue Coffee and Tea last fall, says David Henkes, VP of Technomic, a Chicago-based barrestaurant consulting firm. Approachability is one of the reasons Baris Yuksel chose the name Division Ale House for his pub, which opened last summer. "It's laid-back and there's no pretense. It tells you, 'Hey, we're a part of the neighborhood,' " he says. "We're not called Envy, or … something that tells you, 'We're better than you, you better get in line to get in.'"

Whether the name is the result of legitimate thought or plain laziness, we all have our favorites. Check out the matchups in our Street Fighter Championship and vote in the first round on **metromix.com**.

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We can't help but call out bars that only sound like they're named for the street they reside on. Go online for our list and to nominate more.



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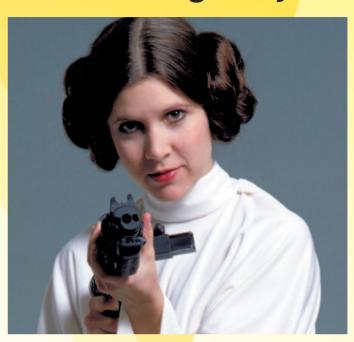
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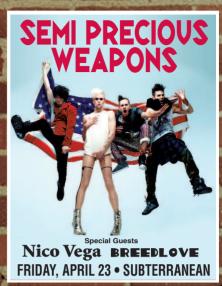


















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Alkaline Trio! ...Rise Against is a very close

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cago? Blues Brothers.

@GrandOwl Ryan Yepsen Best Chicago band...

I hate to be so obvious, but it has to he Wilco

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Mates of State. Free Energy, Todd Barry, Tuesday. June 22 (\$20, 18+) at Lincoln Hall.

Mucca Pazza,

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Voxtrot, Friday, May 21 (\$14, 18+) at Lincoln

Wreckless Eric, Amy Rigby, Friday, June 18 (\$12, 21+) at Schubas.

Zola Jesus, Dada Trash Collage. Jabon, Sunday, June 27 (\$8, 21+) at Schubas.

ON SALE 10 A.M. **SATURDAY**

Concrete Blonde, Saturday, June 12 (\$29.50, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

Patty Griffin, Buddy Miller, Friday, June 18 (\$35, 17+) at House of Blues.

Off With Their Heads. Saturday. June 12 (\$10, 17+) at Subterranean.

Rush, Saturday, July 3 (\$42.05-\$91.20. all ages) at Marcus



Amphitheater, Monday, July 5 (Prices TBD, all ages) at Northerly Island's Charter One Pavilion.

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of Blues.

Daphne Willis, Wednesday, July 28 (\$8-\$12, all ages) at Space.

The Wood Brothers, Wednesday, June 23 (\$15-\$20, all ages) at Space.

ON SALE NOON SATURDAY

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The Insecurities, The Lifeline, Saturday, June 5 (\$11-\$16, 18+) at Metro.

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Sleepy Sun, Thursday, June 24 (\$10, 21+) at Double Door.

ON SALE NOW

Wednesday, June 9 (\$15, 21+) at Double Door.

The Devil Wears Prada, Wednesday, June 30, Thursday, July 1 (\$16-18, all ages) at Subterranean.

Good Old War. Friday, May 28 (\$10. all ages) at Beat

Kitchen.

Zane Lamprey, Thursday, June 17 (\$20, 17+) at House of Blues.

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Vic Ruggiero, Thursday, July 22 (\$10, 17+) at Beat

Kitchen

The Scotland Yard Gospel Choir. Saturday, June 19 (\$10, 17+) at

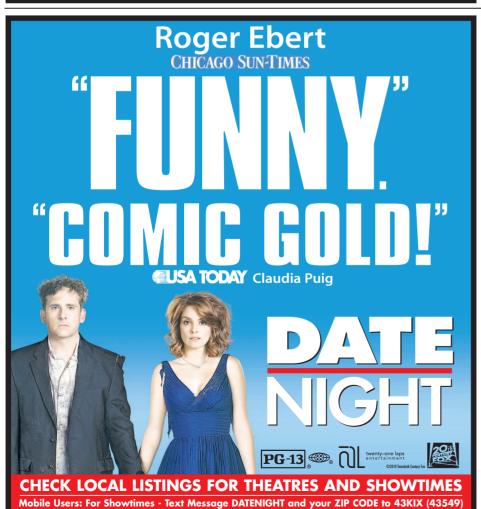
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MINTZ-PLASSE GOES FROM McLOVIN' TO McSHOVIN' IN SUPERHERO FLICK

By Matt Pais METROMIX

In "Kick-Ass," the conniving Chris D'Amico becomes supervillain Red Mist to defeat superhero Kick-Ass.

Christopher Mintz-Plasse, who plays Chris, says that in reality—or at least comic book reality—the superpower-free Red Mist wouldn't stand a chance against other superheroes.

"Red Mist would just be dead instantly," says the actor best known for his role as McLovin' in "Superbad." "He can't do anything against Spider-Man or Batman."

In the film, opening Friday, Mintz-Plasse's Chris and his organized crime kingpin dad (Mark Strong) are locked in a deadly battle with Kick-Ass (Aaron Johnson) and other DIY heroes (Nicolas Cage, Chloe Grace Moretz). The film—which totally earns its title, by the way—is violent, stylish, fun-as-hell and has a surprising heart.

A week before he's scheduled to throw out the first pitch Saturday at Wrigley Field, L.A. native Mintz-Plasse, 20, checked in by phone from New York to talk about fighting crime while stoned and his reallife experiences with being smacked in the face.

Red Mist claims to fight crime 25/8. How does he maintain a social calendar?

[Laughs.] He doesn't. He has no friends whatsoever. He just sits in his costume and smokes weed in the Mist-Mobile.

It makes it easy to fight crime when you have no

That's right, exactly. And he's massively stoned, which makes it a little bit easier.

Is the movie saying anyone who's lonely should become a superhero?

I could say that, but then they might get their ass

kicked and they'll sue me.

What's the biggest perk of being a superhero?

No one knows your identity so you can really just be an a-hole, and nobody knows who to blame it on.

Is that something you miss now that people recognize you?

[Laughs.] Yeah, definitely.

What's something you used to do that you can't do anymore?

Well, I was never really a superhero. I think if I was a superhero, I'd be a complete [bleep]. Right now, I can't be a complete [bleep] 'cause everybody knows me.

How often do you wear the Red Mist costume these days?

Never. I burnt that thing when I was done.

Why?

I was sick of it, man. It looks great on camera but wearing it was a pain in the ass. It was very hot; you have to wear it for 10 hours a day. You just sweat, and the cape cut through my arm; I had all these weird bruises. It was very, very uncomfortable.

Aaron told me you smacked yourself in the face with nunchucks. What happened?

I mean technically I did, but I flung the nunchuck at him, and it bounced off his plastic jetpack and came straight back and whacked me in the eye. It was part me and part Aaron's jetpack.

He said it resulted in you getting sympathy from girls. I had a girlfriend at the time so it didn't matter.

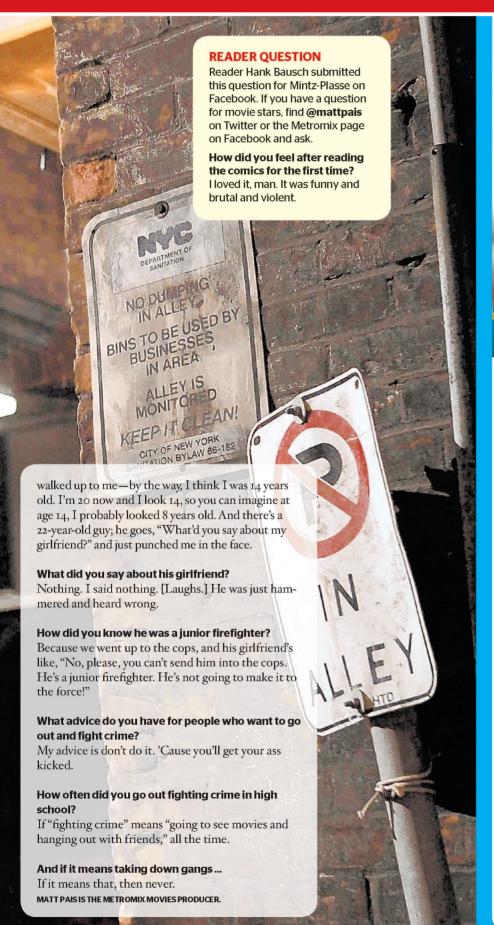
Gotta make sure the timing is right when hitting yourself with nunchucks.

Yeah, if I'm going to get a massive scar, I gotta be single.

How many fights have you been in, in real life?

Zero, but I've gotten punched in the face. I was at a rock concert ... and there was a band playing. I was sitting down, and some drunk junior firefighter







JOHNSON NO LONGER WILL HAVE POWER TO DISAPPEAR

By Matt Pais

METROMIX

Like a superhero no one can identify, Aaron Johnson probably isn't known to many American viewers. That's about to change, thanks to the British actor's starring role as ordinary-guy-turned-crime-fighter in "Kick-Ass."

The movie, based on the comic by Mark Millar, has had fanboys buzzing since footage debuted at Comic-Con '09. Johnson's Dave Lizewski becomes an Internet sensation as self-made, superpower-free hero Kick-Ass.

Johnson, 19, who had never been to Chicago before walking the red carpet at Thursday's screening at the AMC River East, checked in by phone from New York last week while in the middle of a whirlwind press tour. It's exhausting being a superhero.

What's your craziest memory from your time training to kick ass?

Chris [Mintz-Plasse] whacking himself in the eye with a nunchuck. He's got this really cool scar. He kinda gets all the women though. He was pretty pissed off at the time. I was like, "Man, you got a really badass scar! All the girls are going to dig it!" And he was just like, "No, man, it really hurts!" And there's like blood dripping down. And I was like, "You know what? Don't worry about it, Chris. It's just going to be a [brief] thing, and tomorrow you're

going to get some ditzy ... blonde come up to you and [say], 'That's so cute!' "

Did you then hit yourself on purpose for the attention?

No, because obviously I told Chris never to tell anybody that he actually hit himself in the eye. He just would be like, [as Chris], "Oh, yeah. I got it while fighting crime, babe."

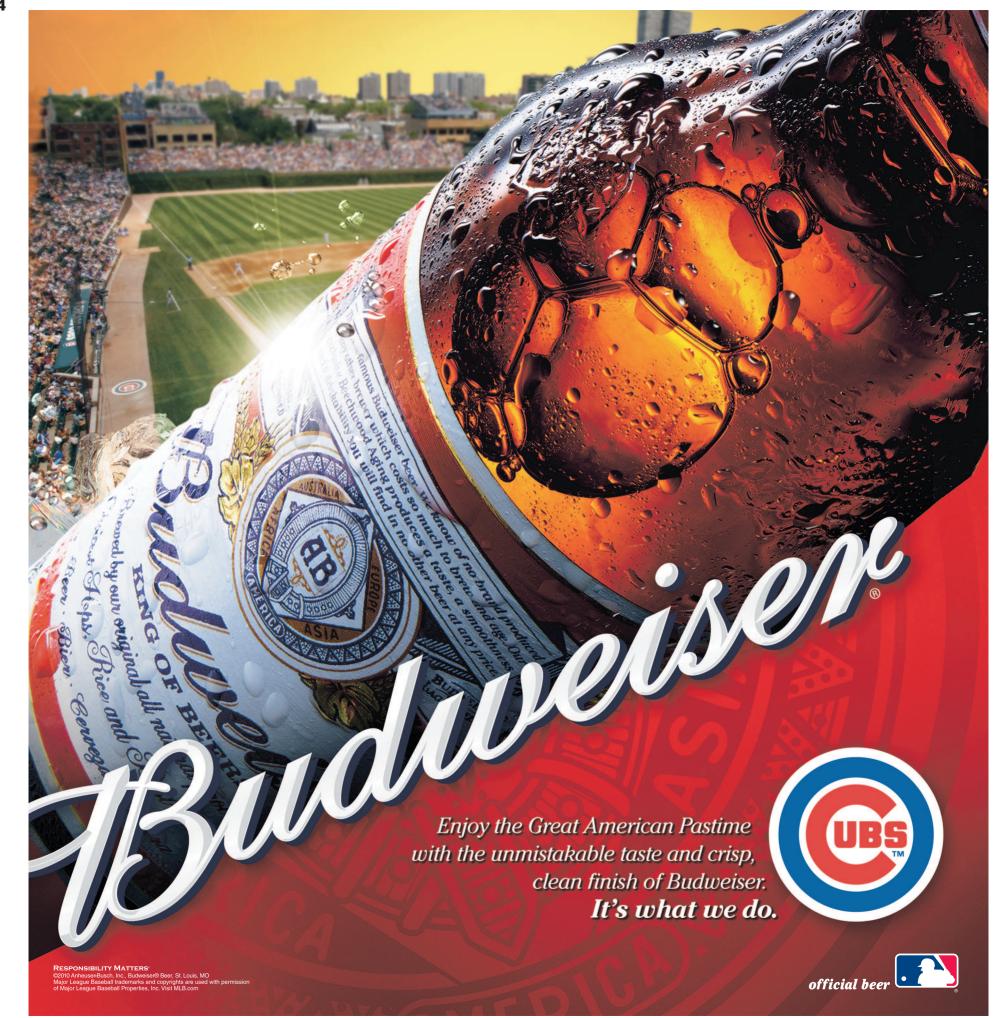
What superpower would you want in real life?

Probably to teleport because, so far, I've gone from L.A. to New York to Miami and then back to L.A. and then Chicago. I tell you what, that'd just be so handy right now.

What would you do if you were a superhero with no powers going out to fight crime?

I'd think probably have a bit of body armor on you or actually make sure you can fight before you go out and do something like that. You want to think about the jock strap. That's the thing that kind of gets you: the blistering ...

EDITOR'S NOTE: We're trimming Matt's interview with Aaron Johnson here to prevent complaints from sensitive readers. Read the uncut version at **metromix.com**.



Chris knows how to rock a 'Funeral'

By Miki Turner

LOS ANGELES A few years ago, Chris Rock and a group of friends saw the British import "Death at a Funeral," but he couldn't understand why he had to go to a small art-house theater to watch it.

"Something to me said, 'This is like a pop movie, why is this in an art house?" Rock said during a recent press conference. "Me and the other 10 people were laughing our asses off."

Rock decided then and there to remake the morbid comedy. His version, with a lively ensemble cast that includes Tracy Morgan, Martin Lawrence, Luke Wilson, Zoe Saldana, James Marsden, Regina Hall, Peter Dinklage, Loretta Devine, Columbus Short and Danny Glover, opens Friday.

In the film, Rock's character deals with family drama at his father's funeral. Rock, also a producer for the film, said he thought jokes from the 2007 version would translate well with an American spin.

"The fact that it had a lot of funny parts was perfect for me in not having to carry a whole movie, and also perfect because it would be



something a studio would really be into."

One key acquisition was Lawrence, a fellow comic he'd never worked with before on the big screen. Lawrence initially passed on the offer but eventually came around for the opportunity to work with Rock.

"My man Chris Rock gave me a call, personally," Lawrence said. "When he first called, I was like, 'I'm sorry Chris, I can't do it.' But then he sent me the British version, and I thought it was very funny; and when he told me it was about playing his brother, then I said I've got to be on board."

Add Morgan to the film, and Rock had a

"These are my champions right here," Morgan told reporters. "For me, this whole panel is like The Dream Team. They're like Jordan, Barkley and all those guys. I might get a medal; I got my shirt; I'm on the team! When I'm with Martin and Chris, I'm on the team! I might not start, I might not ever play, but I've got my shirt!"

The comedians don't get all the laughs. Marsden, who plays Saldana's boyfriend, steals many scenes. His character is high on acid and spends most of the film naked, which initially was a surprise to Saldana.

"There was one scene when he didn't give me any warning that he had taken off his pants," she said. "So I'm talking with Luke [Wilson] inside, and [director] Neil [Labute] yells action. I open the window and whoop!" MIKI TURNER IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

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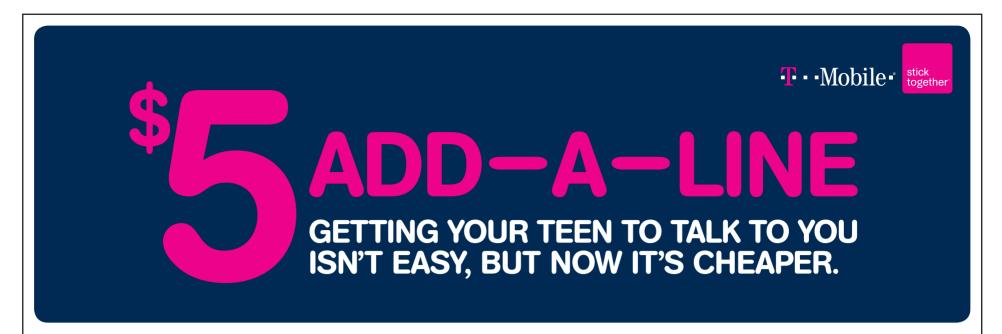
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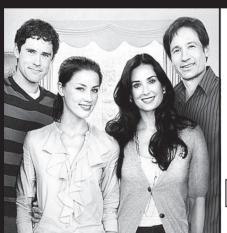
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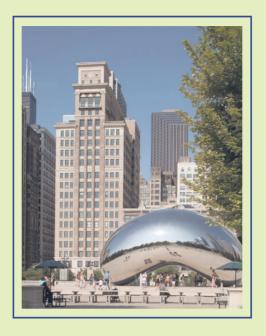
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'Death' isn't a laughing matter

A funeral turns chaotic when a guest (James Marsden) accidentally takes acid and the deceased's eldest son (Chris Rock) discovers his father was secret lovers with a diminutive man (Peter Dinklage). Mayhem ensues, laughs don't.

The buzz: The 2007 British original was a disaster, and that film didn't star Martin Lawrence or feature Danny Glover as an old man accidentally pooping on Tracy Morgan's hand.

The verdict: With a script this lazy, you could remake it with the full Monty Python cast and the movie still would stink. A few amusingly zany moments from Marsden and Morgan are nothing compared to the persistent homophobia or the characters' repetitive confusion about what they mistakenly think is valium. As Aaron (Rock) and Ryan (Lawrence) trade punches to the crotch, you can't help but share their pain.

Keep up with these 'Joneses'

This drama is almost a spin-off for Truman's wife, Meryl (Laura Linney), in "The Truman Show." In that film, Meryl had no real attachment to her fake husband Truman (Jim Carrey) and was paid to insert product placement into episodes of the show. "The Joneses" expands that concept to a full "family" (David Duchovny, Demi Moore, Amber Heard, Ben Hollingsworth) that's been assembled to present an appearance of perfection and casually talk their neighbors into buying their clients' products. Think of it as an undercover episode of "The Apprentice" without the cameras. If none of this sounds interesting to you, you may find "The Joneses" a little one-note, and the movie certainly goes soft when it tries to turn into a love story. Otherwise, it's a tart little consumer satire about the facade of happiness that comes with success, and the hollowness of a life committed primarily to things. It's all so eerily believable. MATT PAIS IS THE METROMIX MOVIES PRODUCER.





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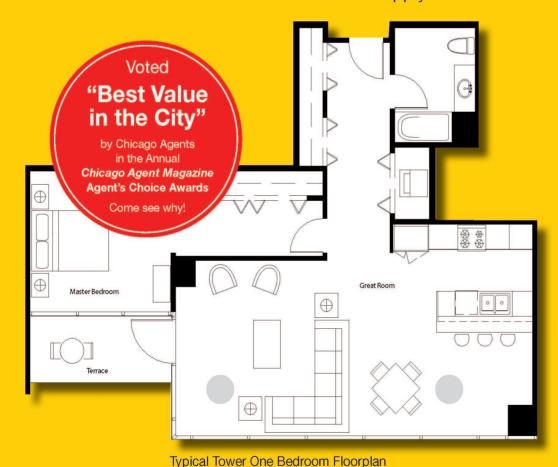
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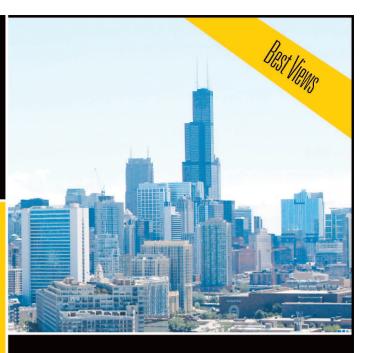


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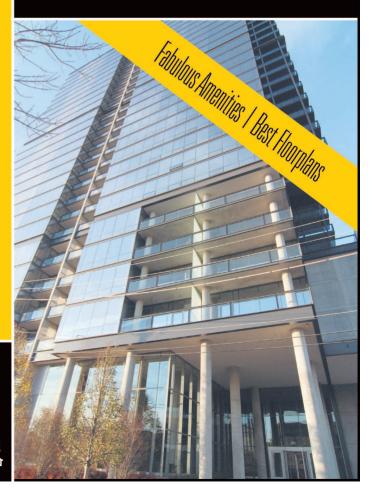
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Matt Smith, who utters those words in "The Eleventh Hour," found his answer was New York City, at least for the past week. The British actor made his first trip to the Big Apple for a whirlwind press tour with co-star Karen Gillan and new "Who" boss Steven Moffat, but he arrived three days early to take in the sights.

"What a city, man, what a place," he told me during a phone conversation Tuesday, sounding every bit like the time-traveling adventurer he plays. "It's wonderful. I'm loving it."

The 27-year-old also loves the rocket he's currently riding, saying "it's kind of just insane really." Smith is the youngest of the 11 actors who have played the Doctor since 1963. Although the series took a 16-year hiatus before producer Russell T Davies revived it in 2005, it is the longest-airing sci-fi series in TV history.



Taking over the iconic role is no easy task, especially from the wildly popular David Tennant. But Smith already has made believers out of many fans in Britain, where Season 5 launched early this month.

Smith said he knew how popular "Doctor Who" was, but he still did not expect the response to his and Moffat's take on the story.

"We sort of had no idea and just thought, 'I hope we don't break it,' you know?" he said. "But in England, we've had sort of unprecedented positivity, which is really humbling. ... We did a screening of it

last night [in New York] and people were going mad. And I was like, 'Whoa. This is cool. I like this.'"

Moffat and Smith have made changes to the series, giving the Doctor a brand-new TARDIS, the timeship that can travel everywhere and anywhere and looks like a one-person police box on the outside but inside holds a library, swimming pool and other rooms.

Although plenty of nostalgic elements remain to satisfy longtime fans, Smith agreed that now might be the perfect time for new viewers to hop aboard.

"I don't think there's any other show that is not bound by space or time or logic or genre or place," he said when I asked him to give his best pitch to potential viewers. "I just think there's always a fun story to be told about a mad and brilliant buffoon who comes along and saves the day by accident. It's like sort of James Bond and the Mad Hatter rolled into one.

"So, in short, watch 'Doctor Who' because it will improve your life." READ MORE FROM SMITH AT REDEYE CHICAGO.COM/SHOWPATROL.

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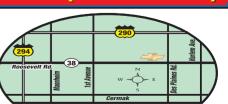


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Surprising & sleepy

It's time once again to wrap up the week in celebrity news. Read on to see whose comments were shocking, which TV show was satisfying and what news left me shrugging. EMILY ROSENBAUM MAKA, REDEVE



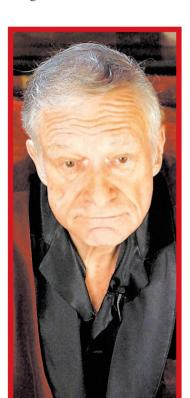




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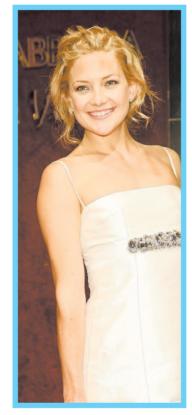
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SHOCKING Unlikely voice of reason

Hugh Hefner was asked by The New

York Post what he thinks of the scandals surrounding Tiger Woods and Jesse James. "When you get married, you make a commitment. ... I think that when you are in a relationship, you should be honest. The real immorality of infidelity is the lying," he said. The prince of promiscuity talking commitment and advocating honesty-that's cool.



SNOOZE Breast in show

Us Weekly says Kate Hudson got small breast implants. An

"insider" tells the rag that the star got a modest breast augmentation in late March and looked noticeably fuller on top while poolside in Miami in early April. Sorry, I'm not interested in reports about women who are so skinny they have to add parts to themselves.



SHOCKING River romp

"Lost" star Matthew Fox says he lost his virginity at the tender age of 12. Fox

tells Playboy the deed went down in a tiny town in Wyoming, "It happened literally on the ground by a river while a rodeo was going on in town." The girl was a couple of vears older than he was and had some experience, he says. TMI.

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SATISFYING Beautiful ending

"Ugly Betty" wrapped up its fun run Wednesday

night with Betty following her heart and moving to London to take a new job. Despite the fact that her Mode boss, Daniel, seemed to have romantic feelings for her and clearly wanted her to stay, she moved on. How refreshing to see a woman not sticking around for a maybe boyfriend-and Daniel following her makes it even sweeter.

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SNOOZE The real world

about her.

Spencer Pratt is trying mightily to get someone to

care about him and his wife, Heidi Montag. "The Hills" star tweeted that he and Montag are no longer pals with Audrina Patridge. "We no longer deal with that fake world and fake people like her." Oh, this one is too easy: Spencer, your wife had 10 plastic surgery procedures in one day. There is nothing real



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Galileo! Galileo!

Been away from a computer for the past year and need to catch up on viral videos? You're in luck. The Webby award nominations (and with it, the top five virals) were just announced. Competing for the best in mindless videos are: Auto-Tune the News, David After Dentist, Lindsay Lohan's eHarmony Profile, Love Project Music Video and The Muppets: Bohemian Rhapsody.

HOW 'DEATH' IS LIKE TURKEY DAY

Zoe Saldana says working with such a funny group of actors on "Death at a Funeral" was like being at home. "You know what it felt like, is at Thanksgiving when everybody's traveling from various places. ... People arriving, baking the cookies, 'Don't touch the ... turkey!' 'Oh, my God, it's 2 o'clock already, can I have a drink?' That's what it felt like, one big Thanksgiving Day."



Main 'Man' teases us

Don't expect a cliffhanger at the end of "Iron Man 2." Director Jon Favreau tells the Los Angeles Times that the ambitious plan by Marvel Studios to create a latticework of mythology that connects all of its hero franchises eliminates the "to be continued" option. "I want it to be completely selfcontained because a lot is going to happen between now and the next chapter. You've got 'Thor,' you've got 'Captain America' and you've got 'Avengers.' " Favreau also says it will be a few years before the third "Iron Man" installment.

Babyface money launderer

Zac Efron's not in "High School" anymore—and he wants everyone to know it. The teen dream is taking on a grittier role as a



Efron

money launderer in a remake of a Swedish crime thriller, **thr.com** reports. No word on whether his foppish haircut will stay in place.

What is the smell of Willis?

So many celebrities want us to smell them. The latest is Bruce Willis. He's releasing a fragrance that'll hit stores July 1, according to **usmagazine.com**, which cited Women's Wear Daily. What should it be called? Smell Hard, Moon-Smelling or The Sixth Scent, perhaps?



HOT DATE

April 19

That's when scandalous biographer Kitty Kelley is scheduled to discuss and sign copies of "Oprah: A Biography," (in O's hometown!) at Borders on State Street.

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